

Appl. No.: 10/033,536
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and discussion presented herein.

1. **Allowance of Claims.**

The Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of Claims 1, 4-9, 19-41, and 45-55.

2. **Allowability of Claims.**

The Applicant also notes with appreciate that Claims 11-18 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In response, the Applicant has amended Claim 10 to include the limitations of Claim 11. Therefore, Claims 10-18 are now allowable.

3. **Rejection of Claims.**

The Applicant has amended Claim 10 as indicated above, and has canceled Claims 42-44. Therefore, the rejection of those claims is now moot.

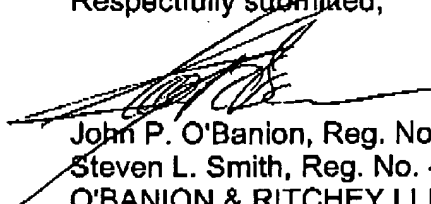
4. **Conclusion.**

In view of the above, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

The Applicant also respectfully requests a telephone interview with the Examiner in the event that there are questions regarding this response, or if the next action on the merits is not an allowance of all pending claims.

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